

**TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 18, 2001**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Venis and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Present were Mayor Venis, Vice-Mayor Paul and Councilmembers Clark, Starkey and Truex. Also present were Town Administrator Willi, Town Counsel Connick, and Town Clerk Muniz recording the meeting.

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

**3.1 National Community Development Week**

Shirley Taylor-Prakelt, Housing and Community Development Programs Manager, advised that Community Development was a grant program that allowed the Town to provide affordable housing to residents and promoted neighborhood revitalization. She explained that by being an entitlement community, certain funds would be received by the Town for improvements in specific areas. Ms. Taylor-Prakelt spoke about the importance of cooperation within the departments and with partnerships. She thanked Jack Johnson, Director of Miami HUD, and presented him with a proclamation proclaiming April 16-22 as National Community Development Week.

**3.2 International Ballet Company Outreach Program**

Bette Stark, Recreation Supervisor, advised that the Parks and Recreation Department had partnered with the International Ballet Company. Ruth Dryer advised that Debra Butner had opened a ballet academy, which was available to all children in the Town. Ms. Butner thanked the Town for sponsoring this program.

Mayor Venis stated that the HOPE Outreach Center and the Town had developed a partnership to offer the academy to Silver Oaks Community Center and Eastside Community area. He recognized the volunteer student instructors who taught the children participating in this program and would not otherwise have had the opportunity to learn dance.

Donna Shell, Eastside Community Director, was introduced and presented students with certificates.

**3.3 Davie Elementary School Shelter Facility - Carol Andrews, Broward County School Board Member**

Bertram Lewis, Project Manager for the School Board, advised that six years ago, Davie Elementary School raised funds to begin the shelter project and the Broward County School Board had agreed to contribute \$75,000 to its completion. He asked the Town to match that contribution and provide \$75,000 as well. Mr. Lewis explained that this was for a pavilion covered overhang structure to be shared by the Town and Broward Schools. Mr. Lewis stated that modular classrooms needed to be placed before the structure could be built and the size, at least 50 feet by 50 feet, had not been decided.

Mayor Venis spoke about the original goal of this project and confirmed the plans for this to be a joint use project. Carol Andrews, School Board Member, thanked the Mayor for all that had been accomplished.

Councilmember Truex thanked Ms. Andrews for her contribution to this effort and for making this happen. He asked if this could be fast-tracked. Mr. Willi advised that once

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plans had been finalized, the Town could move on this quickly. Mr. Lewis explained that the structure could go in within a matter of weeks, but other aspects, including the placement of modular classrooms, needed to be accomplished first. Mr. Willi agreed to write a resolution for the next meeting.

#### **3.4 Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)**

Neal Kalis, Chair, advised that the CRA had relocated to 4700 Davie Road. He stated that six more lots had been purchased for single family housing, while four existing lots were slated for single family homes which needed to be completed in the next 15 months. Mr. Kalis advised that the CRA was working with the lot's owners who had encountered problems with the contractors. He spoke about plans for the signage program, including construction of signs for Davie Road and other entrance roads. Mr. Kalis spoke about Lefmark and the old Winn-Dixie site, stating that there may be a mixed site at that location and plans included a residential project around the perimeter, with commercial at the center. He stated that CRA member Joan Kovac would be leading a marketing effort for the CRA which would include special events and identifying certain properties for development.

#### **3.5 Davie/Cooper City Chamber of Commerce**

Judy Childers, Chamber President, thanked the Town for the support it had provided with the Orange Blossom Festival. She also thanked Mr. Willi for all the decisions he had made. Ms. Childers presented Council with a framed poster used for the Festival and t-shirts. She also provided a gift for Special Projects Director Bonnie Stafiej.

#### **3.6 Pine Island Park Update**

Public Works/Capital Projects Manager Bruce Bernard stated that the park was 99% complete and that a grand opening was planned for Memorial Day weekend. The multi-purpose building was 55% complete and would be opening in June. Mr. Bernard advised that the right-turn lane in/out off of Pine Island Road and the water playground had also been out for bid with no response. Plans for the water play area were being altered slightly, then put out for bid again; however, it was not due for construction until after the summer. Mr. Bernard stated that after Council chose a name for the park, signage would be ordered.

#### **3.7 Upcoming Special Events - Dennis Andresky and Bonnie Stafiej**

Dennis Andresky, Parks and Recreation Director, announced that upcoming events included: pot luck dinner (March 20th); adult and seniors country picnic (March 27th); belly dance classes (Mondays); boys and girls tackle football and cheerleading programs; and basketball programs (June 9th - August 22nd).

Ms. Stafiej was not present.

#### **3.8 Bid Types and Procedures - Herb Hyman**

Procurement Manager Herb Hyman explained the Town's purchasing procedures and indicated that Council must approve each purchase over \$10,000. He advised of some of the different services which were subject to bid and the advantages of the Broward Cooperative Purchasing Group. Mr. Hyman explained "piggyback" purchasing and the savings that usually resulted. He described the sole source method and the waving of formal bid used

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for emergency purchases. Mr. Hyman spoke about local vendor preference and enumerated the disadvantages compared to competitive bidding, including the reciprocity law, monetary disadvantages and vendors setting up local post office boxes when the business was not actually located in the Town.

Mayor Venis advised that item 7.4 had been requested to be tabled until May 16, 2001.

Councilmember Starkey made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to table. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

Mayor Venis announced that items 7.9 and 8.8 were withdrawn. He indicated that item 8.9 needed to be tabled until May 2, 2001 with the petitioner returning to the Planning and Zoning Board on April 25, 2001.

Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to table. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

Mayor Venis advised that items 8.10 and 8.11 were withdrawn and item 8.12 needed to be tabled until May 2nd.

Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Starkey to table. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

Mayor Venis indicated that a proclamation would be added as item 7.3.1.

Councilmember Truex made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Starkey, to add. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

#### **4. MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMENTS**

##### **MAYOR VENIS**

**CONDOLENCES.** Mayor Venis extended condolences to the Bender family on the passing of Mike's father.

**CONGRATULATIONS.** Mayor Venis congratulated Town Clerk Muniz on the birth of his son. He also congratulated his daughter, Kathleen, and son Harry, Jr., for being named to their school's honor roll.

**SPRING EGG HUNT.** Mayor Venis advised that he had attended the Spring Egg Hunt and thanked Ms. Stafiej and the Police and Fire Departments on their efforts.

**GRANT.** Mayor Venis advised that Pine Island Bay had received a Broward Beautiful Grant for landscaping in their community, which he advised was a County grant. He added that other applications would be accepted until June 11th.

**TRAFFIC SIGNALS.** Mayor Venis requested an update at the next meeting of all the recent requests and new locations for signals.

**I-75 INTERCHANGE.** Mayor Venis advised that he had received calls regarding the interchange at Stirling Road and advised that some residents would be attending the Technical Steering Committee meeting. He requested an update at the next meeting.

**DRAINAGE ISSUES.** Mr. Bernard advised that the Central Broward Drainage District was still formulating plans for pumps and added that the study on how regulating the opening of these pumps would affect specific communities. Mayor Venis asked if the Central

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Broward Drainage District Chair could give a presentation its strategy. Mr. Bernard advised that the Town's mitigation program would back up the District in its application for FEMA funds.

**COUNCILMEMBER CLARK**

Councilmember Clark deferred her comments.

**COUNCILMEMBER TRUEX**

**NOVA DRIVE ASSOCIATION.** Councilmember Truex stated that he had met with the Nova Drive Association and the Driftwood Association resident's groups. He spoke about the 22 new Habitat For Humanity homes which had been planned for that area.

**CONGRESSMAN DEUTSCH'S FORUM.** Councilmember Truex indicated that he had attended the Congressman Deutsch's forum which was well attended.

**DAVIE MERCHANTS AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION MEETING.** Councilmember Truex advised that he had attended the meeting and Irv Rosenbaum, from Nova Southeastern University, was the featured speaker. Dr. Rosenbaum had spoken about using the University complex as an economic engine for the Town and Councilmember Truex advised that the Town needed to partner with the University as it would be very beneficial.

**COUNCILMEMBER STARKEY**

**GROUNDBREAKING.** Councilmember Starkey advised that she had attended a groundbreaking ceremony for a community church in the Driftwood area which she thought provided good hope for this deprived area.

**TOURS.** Councilmember Starkey announced that she had toured the parks as well as all the departments.

**EXPLORER'S GRADUATION.** Councilmember Starkey advised that she had attended the Police Explorer's graduation which she felt provided a great future with positive goals for students.

**SPRING EGG HUNT.** Councilmember Starkey was pleased to see the Girl Scout troop at the event and added that the troop helped at many Town events.

**CONGRESSMAN DEUTSCH FORUM.** Councilmember Starkey felt there was a good turnout and added that the Ivanhoe residents had brought their concerns about the I-75 interchange. She indicated that the the landscape removal which had resulted in noise escalation was also discussed and Congressman Deutsch would be looking into a wall barrier for that location which would require Town funds. Councilmember Starkey advised there was also discussion about the devastating results of citrus canker.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (EDC) MEETING.** Councilmember Starkey advised that she was attended meetings with one goal being to bring good economic development into the Town. She indicated the EDC was trying to update a study which had been previously been done. Councilmember Starkey advised that Nova Southeastern University would also participate in the EDC and the top 20 companies would also be invited.

**NEW LIBRARY.** Councilmember Starkey advised that Nova Southeastern University's new library would be opening soon and would be open to the public.

Mayor Venis advised that he had met Broward County Commissioner Lori Parrish regarding the cost of a wall at I-75. He asked Mr. Willi to obtain this information from

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Commissioner Parrish and forward to Congressman Deutsch. Mayor Venis spoke about the D & M Acres area where landscape was torn down and advised that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) did not plan on re-landscaping certain areas because of deacceleration lanes. Mr. Willi stated that FDOT had promise to replace landscaping where there was existing development and where the houses backed the I-75 corridor. He spoke said that the homes that Mayor Venis was referring to would not have landscaping provided to them as they did not about I-75. Mayor Venis asked for a meeting with FDOT to discuss the provision of landscaping to these homes. Councilmember Starkey felt this was also a safety issue.

#### **VICE-MAYOR PAUL**

**CONDOLENCES.** Vice-Mayor Paul offered her sympathies to Mike Bender on the loss of his father. She extended condolences to Joy Yoder on the loss of her grandmother.

**KISS FAN FEST.** Vice-Mayor Paul advised that she had attended this event for the Boys and Girls Club, indicating that there was a profit from this function.

**WATER RESTRICTIONS.** Vice-Mayor Paul asked if there would be clarifications based on the plan to go to a modified Phase II. She advised that Elliott Frimmer had good ideas regarding water purification and storage.

**POLICE EXPLORER GRADUATION.** Vice-Mayor Paul advised that six or seven cities had taken part in the academy and 37 were in the class. She congratulated Christine Kreynak who was the number one student.

**SAFETY SUMMIT.** Vice-Mayor Paul stated that a brainstorming session for the Safety Summit would be held on May 22nd which would include input from students. She advised that the Summit would be held next fall at the Tower Shops.

**ROBBINS LODGE.** Vice-Mayor Paul questioned why the water at the wash rack had been turned off.

**WATERFORD HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION.** Vice-Mayor Paul indicated that she was going to send the association a copy of the resolution [opposing alternatives to I-75] on Stirling and Old Post Roads. She asked that 14th also be included in this resolution.

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION MEETING.** Vice-Mayor Paul advised that at this meeting, she had expressed serious concerns regarding the I-595 master plan and how it would impact the Town's businesses and residents.

**WETLANDS MITIGATION BANK.** Vice-Mayor Paul was pleased that the Town was moving forward on this and asked Mr. Willi for a written report on the progress.

**ACTORS COMMUNITY THEATER.** Vice-Mayor Paul advised of the upcoming performance by the Actors Community Theater, "Cards on the Table."

**ZONING AREAS.** Vice-Mayor Paul indicated that she was still waiting for the report to augment the Economic Development Council report citing the impact in various zoning areas. She felt it was important to learn what revenue the Town received from certain zoning districts and what the cost was of the services for those districts.

#### **5. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS**

**CONDOLENCES.** Mr. Willi offered his condolences to the family of Nancy Callahan, a dance instructor at the Pine Island Community Center, who had passed away. He commended Ms. Callahan's efforts in serving the Town and advised that her daughter would continue the program.

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**DONATION.** Mr. Willi advised that an anonymous donor had given 20 new bicycles to the Parks and Recreation Department. He indicated that the bikes would be given to children in the afterschool programs at Orange Park and the Eastside Community Hall.

**QUILT DEDICATION.** Mr. Willi indicated that he had attended a quilt dedication at the Old Davie School and had learned a lot of Davie's history. He stated that The Millennium Quilting Group had dedicated the quilt to the school.

**DAVIE UPDATE.** Mr. Willi indicated that the deadline for articles was approaching and advised that there would be some changes in the format.

**WEBSITE IMPROVEMENTS.** Mr. Willi stated that residents should make recommendations for what they would like to see on the website. A new online suggestion form was being tested.

**BUDGET/GOAL SETTING.** Mr. Willi advised Council that a meeting would be scheduled in May to set the Town's goals.

**CONGRATULATIONS.** Mr. Willi offered congratulations to Town Clerk Muniz on the new baby.

**MR. KIAR.** Mr. Willi indicated that Mr. Kiar had been ill and was in the hospital last week, which was why he was absent tonight.

**NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE.** Mr. Willi advised that staff had attended the conference in Washington, D.C.

**6. TOWN ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS**

No report was provided.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

*Minutes*

7.1 February 7, 2001 - Regular Meeting

7.2 April 4, 2001 - Special Executive Session

*Proclamation*

7.3 World War II Veterans' Graduation Day (May 1, 2001)

*Resolutions*

**7.4 STAFF REQUESTING A TABLING TO MAY 16, 2001**

TRAFFICWAYS PLAN AMENDMENT - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING STAFF TO TRANSMIT TRAFFICWAYS PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION TA-01-1 TO THE BROWARD COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (TA-01-1, Orange Drive from Davie Road to SW 36 Street) (tabled from February 21, 2001)

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- 7.5      **AGREEMENT** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF DAVIE, BROWARD COUNTY, AND SOUTH POST INCORPORATED; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS WHILE PLATTING IS IN PROGRESS RELATED TO THE SOUTH POST PLAT; TO ACKNOWLEDGE SUCH APPROVAL BY AFFIXING THEIR SIGNATURES TO SAID AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (DA 1-1-01, 4200 Shotgun Road) (tabled from April 4, 2001)
- 7.6      **BOARD** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING THE DAVIE COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD; PROVIDING FOR TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ITS MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 7.7      **AGREEMENT** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA,  
R-2001-92      AMENDING THE JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE TOWN OF DAVIE FOR RESTORATION OF LANDSCAPING ALONG DAVIE ROAD. (extension of brick pavers - \$9,500.40)
- 7.8      **BID** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING  
R-2001-93      THE BID FOR SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A DIGITAL COMMUNICATION RECORDING SYSTEM. (Teleswitch - \$22,950)
- 7.9      **BID** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE BID TO PURCHASE ONE CANON DIGITAL COPIER IR550 PER MIAMI DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD CONTRACT NUMBER 245-ZZ11. (Ikon Office Solutions - \$16,028)
- 7.10      **BID** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING  
R-2001-94      THE BID FOR A BOOM MOWER AND TRACTOR COMBINATION AND A HEAVY DUTY ROTARY CUTTER, STATE OF FLORIDA BID 765-900-99-1. (Alamo Sales Corp. - \$53,289.75)
- 7.11      **SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE,  
R-2001-95      FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE BROWARD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD FOOD SERVICES TO PROVIDE THE SUMMER FOOD MEALS UNDER THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM FOR THE TOWN OF DAVIE. (\$6,825)

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- 7.12  
R-2001-96      **CHANGE ORDER** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 WITH DOOLEY AND MACK CONSTRUCTORS, INC. FOR THE ADDITION OF MOVABLE PARTITIONS TO THE SCOPE OF WORK AT THE "MULTIPURPOSE FACILITY AT PINE ISLAND PARK" PROJECT, AND VARIOUS OTHER ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS. (\$56,703.79)
- 7.13  
R-2001-97      **TRANSFER OF FUNDS** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM BONDS ISSUED FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY/RESURFACING OF STREETS TO OAKES ROAD/BURRIS ROAD ROADWAY REALIGNMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION. (\$83,010.27)
- 7.14  
R-2001-98      **GRANT APPLICATION** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND APPROPRIATE STAFF TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING UNDER "ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM", A PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY. (\$352,500 grant; cash match of \$105,750)
- 7.15  
R-2001-99      **AGREEMENT** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND AMERICAN VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT, LLC, RELATING TO THE BEAUTIFICATION OF THE ENTRY ROAD INTO THE "HACIENDA COVE APARTMENTS" PROJECT; TO ACKNOWLEDGE SUCH APPROVAL BY AFFIXING THEIR SIGNATURE TO SAID AGREEMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (DA 2-1-01, 3641 Canal Drive)
- 7.16  
R-2001-100      **DELEGATION REQUEST** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DELETION OF CERTAIN COUNTY ENGINEERING REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO THE "PEICO ESTATES PLAT", AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (DG 2-1-01, 12981 SW 26 Street)
- 7.17  
R-2001-101      **DELEGATION REQUEST** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DELETION OF CERTAIN COUNTY ENGINEERING REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO THE "PEICO ESTATES II PLAT", AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (DG 2-2-01, 12981 SW 26 Street)
- 7.18  
R-2001-102      **DELEGATION REQUEST** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE NON-VEHICULAR ACCESS LINE OF THE "MEEKS FARMS PLAT", AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (DG 3-1-01, 5700 South University Drive)



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7.19 **DELEGATION REQUEST - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE,**  
R-2001-103 **FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING A REVISION TO THE RESTRICTIVE NOTE OF**  
**THE "LAUDERDALE-MIAMI AUTO AUCTION PLAT", AND PROVIDING**  
**AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (DG 3-2-01, 5353 State Road 7)**

*Site Plan*

7.20 **SP 2-1-01, Summit/Questa Montessori School, 5451 SW 64 Avenue (CF)**  
*Planning and Zoning Division recommended approval; Site Plan Committee*  
*recommended approval based on the condition of accepting comments on the*  
*addition of the roof element to be an expanded cupola 40 feet long*

*Temporary Use Permit*

7.21 **TU 1-1-01, Home Depot/Expo, 8944 State Road 84**

Councilmember Clark asked that item 7.6 be removed from the Consent Agenda. Vice-Mayor Paul asked that item 7.5 be removed. Councilmember Tom Truex asked that items 7.14 and 7.21 be removed.

Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve the Consent Agenda without items 7.5, 7.6, 7.14 and 7.21. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

7.5 Vice-Mayor Paul stated that this resolution was to allow Imagination Farms to begin building while platting was in progress. She advised that she had asked for a letter of commitment from the school system and Lee Stepanchak from the Broward County Schools had advised this was not something her office did. Vice-Mayor Paul referred to the western site, if this site should be chosen, and the drainage that may require a lake on school property. She wanted to make sure the drainage was tied into the east side which would prevent this need.

Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Truex, to deny until and hopefully "they" them could come with "this" after the notes had been added as far as the School Board's intentions.

Stephanie Toothacher Walker, representing the petitioner, asked if the resolution could be tabled to a time certain. She did not understand how the School Board's commitment would affect Mr. Zimmerman's commitment to offer either site. Vice-Mayor Paul explained the possibility of a lake on a school campus and she did not want that to happen.

In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - no; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 4-1)

7.6 Councilmember Clark introduced Jeff Gorley and indicated that there was some discussion that this board would be called the Human Rights Board. She advised that Mr. Gorley would remain involved with the board for some time and asked Council to carefully consider their appointments.

Mr. Gorley stated that this board would provide an example for other cities to follow and felt it would give the Town fresh views on issues including race relations.

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Councilmember Clark stated that she would like to see two Councilmembers appointed to this Board and asked that these appointments not be rushed on the agenda. She asked residents who were interested to contact her or Town Hall.

Councilmember Truex spoke about the Town's history and felt this was an important board. He stated that this was a positive step for the Town and thought that the recommendation for the Town Administrator to make an appointment was a mistake. Councilmember Truex submitted a list of recommendations which enumerated responsibilities such as race relations, police/community relations, fire, and public works and he suggested adding town facilities programs and hiring practices, as well as promotion practices. He felt that the resolution was somewhat vague in describing the duties of the board. Councilmember Truex suggested that the board issue a final report with findings of fact and recommendations for corrective measures. He added that after a year, the board would be reevaluated for its effectiveness.

Mayor Venis asked Mr. Connick to state this in the resolution. Mr. Connick spoke about the Sunshine Law and the idea of having two Councilmembers attend this board. He enumerated the aspects of the law, which included the need to publicly advertise the meetings and prohibiting the discussion of issues among Councilmembers. Mr. Connick added that Councilmembers could select themselves as one of their appointments.

Vice-Mayor Paul indicated that she did not want to limit this board to one year and felt that having Councilmembers attend would not present a problem. She cautioned that the board's assignments should not be too extensive, especially at the outset.

Councilmember Starkey agreed with deleting the Town Administrator's appointment and adding the Councilmembers. She referred to Section #4 and asked to keep the phrase "and human relation training to promote and foster harmony among the Town of Davie's communities" so that it was not limited to multi-ethnic, but would include all groups.

Mr. Gorley confirmed with Mr. Willi that the Town did not have a Civil Service Board and felt that "hiring practices" may be inappropriate for this board as it was a major issue all by itself. Councilmember Clark felt that this might be too broad an issue for this board and their duties should not be overloaded during the first year.

Councilmember Starkey stated that the board's composition should not include staff because it would be a citizen driven board. She added that the hiring practice phrase was open enough for the board to address these issues in the future.

Councilmember Clark made a motion to accept this resolution with the change to Section 1 to eliminate "the Town Administrator shall appoint one member and the Council shall appoint one Councilmember to the board."

Mr. Connick stated that each Councilmember could appoint two and additionally the Council as a whole could appoint the eleventh member. It could be added that Councilmembers could appoint themselves, or another Councilmember. Councilmember Clark agreed to each Councilmember having two appointments plus the Council as a whole appointing one member and two Councilmembers sitting on the board.

Vice-Mayor Paul asked if someone from the public safety area would be important to this board. Mr. Gorley felt this was a very good idea, as a liaison, but not as a voting member. He also felt it was important to have a youth representative on this board.

Councilmember Clark withdrew her motion.

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Councilmember Clark made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Truex, to table to May 2, 2001 to allow time to develop the language and the composition of the board. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

7.14 Councilmember Truex asked for a clarification from Fire Chief Donald DiPetrillo and Budget and Finance Director Christopher Wallace on the source of funds, which changed from capital budget to contingency for the next fiscal year. Chief DiPetrillo clarified that it would have to be approved or added to the next budget request. Councilmember Truex asked if "from contingency funds" could be removed, making it a budget request for 2001-2002. Mr. Wallace stated that it was a question of timing and the federal agency wanted a commitment that the matching funds would be there. If the grant was awarded this year, the funds would need to be available. Chief DiPetrillo stated that the funds would be released in September or October if this were to be approved.

Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

7.21 Councilmember Truex asked if the request for a tent sale was common. Mr. Willi responded affirmatively.

Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

## 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

*Ordinances - Second and Final Reading*

8.1 **BUDGET REVISION - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF DAVIE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2001 BY PROVIDING FOR SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO COVER UNANTICIPATED OR UNBUDGETED EXPENDITURES.**  
2001-20

Town Clerk Muniz read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Venis asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the ordinance. As no one spoke, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Venis advised that for the year 2000 budget, Council had given direction to staff to prepare a supplement to provide more Town personnel. The supplemental budget never occurred in 2000 because all the personnel were hired, so the amendment was being made in fiscal 2001.

Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 5-0)

8.2 **EASEMENT - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A UTILITY EASEMENT FROM TOWN OF DAVIE, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (VA 8-1-00, FPL Davie Road Extension)**  
2001-21

Town Clerk Muniz read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Venis asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the ordinance. As no one spoke, the public hearing was closed.

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Vice-Mayor Paul made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 5-0)

8.3  
2001-22      **REZONING - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE TOWN OF DAVIE FROM A-1, AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT, TO E, ESTATE DISTRICT, OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE CODE; AMENDING THE TOWN ZONING MAP TO COMPLY THEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (ZB 11-2-00, H.J. Zimmerman & Assoc./South Post, Inc. 4200 Shotgun Road)**

Town Clerk Muniz read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Venis asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the ordinance. As no one spoke, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Clark made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Truex, to approve. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 5-0)

8.4  
2001-23      **REZONING - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE TOWN OF DAVIE FROM A-1, AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT, TO R-3, LOW DENSITY DWELLING DISTRICT, OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE CODE; AMENDING THE TOWN ZONING MAP TO COMPLY THEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (ZB 1-3-01, Phoenix III Corporation/Speyer, 5401 SW 82 Avenue)**

Town Clerk Muniz read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Venis asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the ordinance. As no one spoke, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Truex made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 5-0)

8.5  
2001-24      **REZONING - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE TOWN OF DAVIE FROM A-1, AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT, TO B-2, COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT, OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE CODE; AMENDING THE TOWN ZONING MAP TO COMPLY THEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (ZB 1-4-01, Laystrom/Curcie, 5990 SW 82 Avenue)**

Town Clerk Muniz read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Venis asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the ordinance. As no one spoke, the public hearing was closed.

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Councilmember Truex made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 5-0)

8.6        **REZONING - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA,**  
2001-25    **CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE**  
             **TOWN OF DAVIE FROM A-1, AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT, TO B-2,**  
             **COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT, OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE CODE;**  
             **AMENDING THE TOWN ZONING MAP TO COMPLY THEREWITH;**  
             **PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE**  
             **DATE. (ZB 1-5-01, Laystrom/Farias and Geiserman, 5990 SW 82 Avenue)**

Town Clerk Muniz read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Venis asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the ordinance. As no one spoke, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Truex made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 5-0)

*Quasi Judicial Items*

8.7        **SPECIAL PERMIT - SE 2-1-01, JJK International, Inc., 4900 Davie Road (RM-10)**  
             **(request for a trailer to be used as a temporary real estate sales office) Planning**  
             **and Zoning Division recommended approval; Planning and Zoning Board**  
             **recommended approval subject to the landscaping, as presented by the**  
             **petitioner, to be installed contemporaneously with the trailer; that the**  
             **petitioner give assurance that they would not relocate the trailer; and that the**  
             **petitioner would provide a copy of the lease**

Mayor Venis swore in the witnesses. Mark Kutney, Development Services Director, advised that his qualifications were on file in the Town Clerk's Office. He summarized the planning report.

Robert Kracker, representing the petitioner, spoke about the need for a trailer to be used for sales for this development. He pointed out that there had been great interest in the project and indicated that the trailer would be there for approximately five months. Mr. Kracker stated that the petitioner had entered into an agreement with the Town for water and sewer, had applied for underground utility permits and would provide landscaping on the site and for the trailer.

Vice-Mayor Paul asked about input from the surrounding residents. Mr. Kracker stated that some owners had asked about purchasing the units. Mr. Kutney reported that 118 notices were distributed in the area and there were no negative responses.

Councilmember Clark asked if there could be some guarantee that the developer would not abandon the trailer on the site. Mr. Kracker stated that the company that owned it had a financial interest in it, making sure that the trailer was removed. He added that a copy of the lease would be provided. Mr. Kutney stated that Council had the authority to set the time for the duration the trailer would be allowed on the property.

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Jeff Evans, architect, explained the landscaping which would hide the drive. He added that the site could be built around the trailer.

Mayor Venis asked if anyone wished to provide testimony in favor of or opposition to the issue. No one spoke.

Councilmember Truex made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve subject to Planning and Zoning's recommendations. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Venis - yes; Vice-Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Clark - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Truex - yes. (Motion carried 5-0)

*Items to be tabled or withdrawn*

**8.8 WITHDRAWN BY PETITIONER**

VARIANCE - V 1-3-01, The Costoya Group Inc./Carmco Inc., 3500 SW 130 Avenue (R-1) (tabled from April 4, 2001)

This item was withdrawn earlier in the meeting.

**8.9 PETITIONER REQUESTING A TABLING TO MAY 2, 2001**

VARIANCE - V 2-1-01, Willow Acquisitions, LLC, 15700 Pointe West Drive (BP)

This item was tabled earlier in the meeting.

**8.10 WITHDRAWN BY STAFF; TO BE READVERTISED**

VARIANCE - V 2-2-01, Evans/Archdiocese of Miami, 1301 SW 136 Avenue (CF)

This item was withdrawn earlier in the meeting.

**8.11 WITHDRAWN BY STAFF**

SPECIAL PERMIT - SE 1-2-01, Crown Castle/AMF Bowling Centers, Inc., 8200 West State Road 84 (B-2A, Old Code) (tabled from April 4, 2001)

This item was withdrawn earlier in the meeting.

**8.12 PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD TABLED TO APRIL 25, 2001;  
COUNCIL CAN TABLE TO MAY 2, 2001**

VARIANCE - V 2-3-01, Neuhaus/Powers, 4271 SW 54 Avenue (R-3)

This item was tabled earlier in the meeting.

**9. APPOINTMENTS**

9.1 Davie Water and Environmental Advisory Board (one exclusive appointment - Councilmember Truex; term expires December 2001)  
Councilmember Truex appointed Mark Flynt.

9.2 School Advisory Board (one exclusive appointment - Councilmember Truex; two exclusive appointments - Mayor Venis; terms expire March 2002)  
Councilmember Truex and Mayor Venis deferred their appointments.

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- 9.3 Unsafe Structures Board (non-exclusive appointments - appointment of a real estate appraiser and a citizen with experience and background in the field of social problems) (terms expire April 2004)

Vice-Mayor Paul appointed Debbie Apolinario as the citizen appointment. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

- 9.4 Youth Advisory Board (three exclusive appointments - Mayor Venis and Councilmember Clark; two exclusive appointments - Councilmembers Truex and Starkey; terms expire April 2002)

Councilmember Clark appointed Marissa Weissman, Tiffany Lebage, and Shante Donald. Councilmember Truex appointed Jason Chamberlain and deferred his second appointment.

Vice-Mayor Paul stated that the Child Safety Board would be working with the Youth Advisory Board on the May 22nd brainstorming so appointments should be made by then.

Councilmember Starkey and Mayor Venis deferred their appointments.

- 9.5 Planning and Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency (one exclusive nomination per Councilmember - must be a resident and qualified voter; nominations require approval by Council) (term May 23, 2001 to May 21, 2002)

Councilmember Truex appointed Bob Waitkus. Mayor Venis appointed Jay Stahl. Vice-Mayor Paul and Councilmembers Clark and Starkey deferred their appointments. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

- 9.6 Metropolitan Planning Organization's Community Involvement Roundtable (non-exclusive appointment - must be a resident)

Vice-Mayor Paul recommended Lily Aguilar. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

- 9.7 Broward League of Cities - Alternate

Councilmember Starkey was nominated. In a voice vote, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 5-0)

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

- 11.1 Renaming Pine Island Park

Vice-Mayor Paul and Councilmember Clark recommended "Pine Island Park." Mr. Willi indicated that the City of Plantation, as well as Coral Springs, already had a park named Pine Island Park.

Mr. Bernard advised that this was a timely issue since the name needed to be on the signs when it opened. He added that since the sports complex was dedicated to someone, that name should not be taken away from the family.

Discussion resulted in the recommendation that the community provide input from those who used the park as well as from the Parks and Recreation Board.

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**11.2 Management Efficiency Study (Councilmember Starkey)**

Councilmember Starkey distributed a copy of the Study. She reported that due to the recent changes in staff and to Town Hall it was time to do an analysis of what the Town was doing well in programs, policies and practices, while looking at what could be done to improve. Councilmember Starkey explained the committee's responsibilities and exactly what would be studied. She described the suggested composition of the committee, recommending that it be made up of at least ten members and explained that they would serve in an advisory capacity.

Vice-Mayor Paul stated that she had a concern because two other committees had recently been formed and she recommended that before establishing another committee, consideration should be given to whether any of the existing committees could be combined. She felt that it might be early to begin reviewing staff and departments as they were so new and had not become established. Councilmember Starkey stated the study was to focus on job descriptions, not the people, which would benefit the departments and help in vision setting for the Council.

Councilmember Clark suggested that this study be conducted by experts or the current administration. Councilmember Starkey stated that Mr. Willi had already done this. She added that many other cities had conducted a study and community involvement was important. Councilmember Starkey felt this would provide ownership of the plan and it should not be staff driven. She stated that this was all part of being mindful of the future of the Town and looking ahead to what was needed.

Mayor Venis stated that long range planning was in place as evidenced by the five-year capital plan. Accomplishments and goals which had been implemented included upgrading technology and improving the maintenance of the parks. He indicated that Mr. Willi had been addressing these issues and making changes, which previous administrations had not. Mayor Venis felt that Mr. Willi should be given an opportunity to complete the reorganization plan. Councilmember Starkey felt this was backwards as this study would provide a benchmark, which was important to validate what was being done and provide a basis for future changes. The tools would be provided to staff to continue their work. Mayor Venis disagreed and felt that the study would begin in midstream.

Councilmember Clark felt there had never been a time when the Town Administrator had been more open to Council and Mr. Willi had hired many new employees. She felt that it would be likely that the committee chosen would want to uproot the present administration and would have a political agenda in general.

Mr. Willi stated that the management staff wanted to be as effective for the Town as possible. He advised that constant change, under his administration, should be the norm and improvements would always be made. Mr. Willi appreciated Council's support, but the staff was very hard working and very proactive with many good ideas. He had a concern with residents doing this study as he felt this was appropriate for professionals; however, he did not feel this was the right time to conduct a study. Councilmember Truex asked when this would be appropriate. Mr. Willi felt there were many projects in progress right now for each department and indicated that it would possibly be another year or two. He explained what had been done to improve the Parks and Recreation Department.

Councilmember Clark spoke about all of the positive changes to maintenance in Potter Park. She indicated that this area had never received so much attention.



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Councilmember Starkey expressed disappointment that Council was not the visionary leaders she thought they were. She added that a benchmark would show what was needed for the Town and could be held up to residents when needs would arise in the future.

Councilmember Truex felt that the Town had had some excellent past Town Administrators. He felt this idea had great promise, although he was concerned that it should be done by a professional firm.

#### 11.3 Establishing Time Certain Council Meetings

Mayor Venis stated that it was very difficult to concentrate at 2:30 a.m. He indicated that for certain items, Mr. Kutney could provide input during a previous meeting to discuss the issues which needed to be addressed or if more time was needed. He advised that with this information, the item would not be heard by Council until the issues were addressed. If the issues would not be addressed and the petitioner wanted to move forward, Council could either approve or deny.

Vice-Mayor Paul asked if quasi judicial items could be limited. Mr. Kutney stated that as long as a petitioner honored their part, the petition needed to be heard; however, the amount of items discussed per month could be limited which would give Council control. Mr. Connick stated that any limitation should be done by resolution or ordinance, but choices could not be arbitrarily made. Mr. Kutney felt that the amount of discussion during the public meeting could be limited. Vice-Mayor Paul felt that public participation was vitally important.

Councilmember Truex felt it was a bad idea to limit the number of items on the agenda. He indicated that there were complaints in the community that projects typically took a long time to get through the Town and limiting the number of items would lengthen it. Councilmember Truex suggested that the number of public hearings on an individual item be reduced to two, that there be a sign-in procedure for public comment and that Councilmembers reduce their comments to include only the important issues, not each meeting they attended.

Councilmember Starkey commended Mayor Venis in his ability to move the meetings along. She felt that the current lengthy meetings placed a tremendous strain on the public to attend meetings and indicated that other cities had implemented plans to reduce the meeting times. Councilmember Starkey suggested that Councilmember Comments be heard at the end of the meetings.

Councilmember Clark questioned that if there were time constraints during certain meetings, would it be permissible for some quasi judicial issues to not be heard. Mr. Kutney advised that the applicants would have to agree to table to the next meeting. Councilmember Clark felt strongly that some changes needed to be made and agreed with Councilmember Truex's idea for public sign-up. She felt this should be required and time allocated at the end of the meeting to hear the remainder of the public meeting. Mr. Connick stated that this was sometimes done by date-certain, where people needed to sign-up by a certain time and day. He felt that having a deadline for sign-up would be helpful.

Mayor Venis felt that there was good input during meetings partly because they were not required to be formal about it. He wanted the public to feel comfortable speaking before Council.

Regarding condensing the merits hearing with the first reading of an ordinance, Vice-Mayor Paul explained that having a separate merits hearing gave the public a greater

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opportunity for input. It was important for the public to have the knowledge of an item and the opportunity to address an issue. She spoke about starting at 6:00 p.m. and felt it would be difficult for people to get home from work in time, but it could be an advantage to take the Consent Agenda first.

Councilmember Truex suggested having two resolutions, one for combining the three hearings into two and one on the issue of sign-in. Mr. Willi advised that reducing the public hearings to two would result in considerable reductions in staff costs.

Councilmember Starkey agreed with having only two public hearings on an individual item. She spoke about the sign-up form which would eliminate some residents from prompting others to speak to someone else's comment. Councilmember Starkey also recommended that the Mayor recognize all those who wanted to speak from the public on a specific item without actually hearing each one.

Mayor Venis recommended discussing this further at the next meeting to allow time to fine-tune the resolution. Councilmember Clark asked if staff could prepare two formal resolutions.

Vice-Mayor Paul advised that a transition period would be needed for residents to adjust.

Mayor Venis asked to bring back Councilmember Starkey's resolution at the next meeting, including Councilmember Truex's ideas.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no objections or further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor/Councilmember

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Town Clerk